



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hugues CHERON et al.

Group Art Unit: 2875

Application No.: 10/790,867

Examiner: I. NEGRON

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Docket No.: 111393.01

For: A CAR BODY PANEL WITH INTEGRAL LIGHT UNIT

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the September 14, 2005 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply extended to February 14, 2006 by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. Claim 1 is pending.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, because a plastic outside skin cannot allegedly form the claimed glass. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 recites a combination of a car bumper and light unit, with the car bumper including an outside skin formed by a wall of plastics material and the light unit having, as a component element, glass enabling light emitted by a light source to be diffused, wherein the component element of the light unit formed by the outside skin is the glass, as recited in claim 1.

As consistently used in Applicants' specification and claims, glass can be made of plastic material and is not limited to only glass material. Page 3, line 34 to page 4, line 4 of